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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: JAMAICA REQUESTS CONSULTATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 204574, (B) KINGSTON 6232

1. IN REPLY TO REF (A) EMBASSY HAS SOUGHT MORE PRECISE
INFORMATION REGARDING JAMAICAN REQUEST FROM THE MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS. THE MFA DISCUSSED ISSUE WITH INTERESTED
GOJ AGENCIES AND HAS SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPLY TO OUR
APPROACH. THE MFA DID NOTE THAT IT MAY BE WORTH RECALLING
AND REITERATING THE BACKGROUND TO THE RECENT GOJ REQUEST
FOR CONSULTATIONS.

2. THE RELEVANT PORTIONS OF THE MFA REPLY FOLLOW:
BEGIN QUOTE: AS THE NOTE PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
STATE BY THE JAMAICAN EMBASSY, WASHINGTON, POINTED OUT, THE
INITIAL EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON OCTOBER 2, 1969, RELATING TO
OUR AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT MADE CLEAR PROVISION FOR EITHER
CONTRACTING PARTY TO REQUEST A REVIEW IN THE LIGHT OF CHANGING
CIRCUMSTANCES. THE STATE DEPARTMENT WAS THEN REMINDED THAT
THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA HAS RECORDED ITS WILLINGNESS
TO DEFER CONSULTATIONS UNTIL THESE BECOME ESSENTIAL.
I SHALL NOW ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE FURTHER DETAIL AS TO THE
OBJECTIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA. THE REQUEST FOR
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A REVIEW OF THE AGREEMENT IS BASED UPON: (I) THE
IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW US CHARTER REGULATIONS OF 1977; (II)
CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE
BAHAMAS, WHICH HAS AFFECTED SOME OF AIR JAMAICA'S ROUTES;
(III) THE NEED TO LOOK AT AIR JAMAICA'S ROUTES IN THE
AGREEMENT WITH A VIEW TO POSSIBLE CHANGE; (IV) THE DESIRE
TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A CHARTER

AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. END QUOTE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE OUTCOME OF YOUR REVIEW OF GOJ REQUEST.
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